



A worker pumps out water from inside the damaged pontoon at Mohipur ferry terminal on Patuakhali-Kuakata road to keep it floating and operational.

## Ferry service on road leading to Kuakata disturbed

*Ferryboat, pontoon lie damaged for months*

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Ferry service at Mohipur on Patuakhali-Kuakata road is badly disturbed as water enters through several leaks of the ferry and the pontoon set up on the north side of the river.

Workers have been engaged to remove the water with power pumps to continue the ferry service on the road leading to Kuakata tourist spot.

"We have to remove water

from inside the ferry and the pontoon three to four times a day as water enters through leaks on the bottom and sides.

The problem has continued for six months," Md Salim, a worker of the ferry, said during this correspondent's visit there on Saturday.

"Water enters in huge quantity when the ferry is fully loaded. Now we carry only two buses or trucks on the ferry at a time although

its usual capacity is four to five large sized vehicles," he said.

"Due to the situation, we have to wait for hours to cross the river as 200 to 300 vehicles including private cars, buses, and trucks daily use the route," said Abdul Mannan, a bus driver on Patuakhali-Kuakata road.

Md Jahirul Islam, executive engineer of Roads and Highways Department (RHD), said they sent several letters to the authori-

ties concerned to supply a new ferry for the route but in vain.

Now steps have been taken to replace the damaged ferry by an old ferry from Lebukhali to solve the problem, he said.

Abul Fazal Malik, executive engineer of the Ferry Division of RHD, said, "We have already sent the body of a ferry to Mohipur and it will run on the route after machine of the running ferry is shifted to it."

He was wanted in the cases for arson attacks and vandalism, police said.

## Stalkers attack house, beat up 4 in Tangail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

A gang of stalkers attacked a house and beat up four members of the house at Enayetur Battala area in the town on Monday night.

The victims are Mohammad Abdul Lalif, 35, marketing executive of a local private clinic, his wife Kotha Koli, 25, mother-in-law Hasnahena Begum, 55, and brother-in-law Titu Raj Sarker, 30.

Critically injured Lalif and his wife Kotha Koli were

admitted to Tangail General Hospital while Hasnahena and Titu Raj given first aid at the hospital.

Locals said Akkas and Nadu of the area teased Kotha Koli on her way to a shop on Sunday afternoon. As her elder brother Titu protested it, the duo along with six others swooped on Titu's house at around 11:00pm and beat him up.

When Koli and her mother Hasnahena came forward to save Titu, the gang hit them with iron

road. They also hit Lalif with sharp weapons and iron rod and left the scene.

Lalif's brother Munna Mia filed a case with Tangail Model Police Station yesterday, accusing Akkas and Nadu and six others. None of the gang members was arrested as of 6:00pm yesterday.

Contacted, Officer-in-Charge Mohammmed Aktaruzzaman of Tangail Model Police Station said law enforcers have already launched a drive to arrest the culprits.

## Lightning kills 6 in 2 dists

STAR COUNTRY DESK

Six people were killed by lightning in Sunamganj and Chapainawabganj districts yesterday and on Sunday night.

Our staff correspondent from Sylhet reported that lightning killed three people in Biswambharpur and Doarabazarupazilayesterday.

The dead are Parvin Akhtar, 30, and her son Arman, 2 of Amgara village under Biswambharpur upazila, and Nazma

Begum, 30, of Lakshimpur village under Doarabazar upazila.

In Chapainawabganj, three people, including a girl, were killed by lightning during a nor'wester that lashed different areas of Shabganj and Nachole upazilas on Sunday night.

The deceased were identified as Razia Sultana, 10, of Barikbazar village, Babu, 16, of Dhorbona village in Shabganj upazila; and Fatema Begum, 55, of Khalshi village in Nachole upazila.

## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Special Security Force  
Prime Minister's Office  
Tejgaon, Dhaka

### Invitation for Open Tender

1. Ministry/Division	Prime Minister's Office.
2. Agency	Special Security Force.
3. Procurement entity name	Deputy Director (P&P), SSF.
4. Source of funds	Revenue of GOB of Financial Year 2013-14.
5. Tender package No.	662/1/P&P-287.
6. Tender name	Procurement of Repeater Base Station with all standard accessories.
7. Brief description of works	Tender Ref & date
a. Repeater Base Station (Digital)	662/1/P&P-287, Dated: 12 May 2014
8. Time of work	June 2014.
9. Eligibility of tenderers	Must be principal dealer/supplier having min 05 years of experience of these kinds of supply/maintenance.
10. Amount of tender security	Earnest money (refundable) in the form of Pay Order or Bank Draft or Irrecoverable Bank Guarantee in the name of DG SSF.
11. Name and address of the office(s) selling tenders document	Deputy Director (P&P), Room No. 146, ICC Block, Special Security Force, Prime Minister's Office, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215, Phone: 88-02-9112082, Fax: 88-02-9143406.
12. Name and address of the office(s) receiving tenders	Gate No. 4, Prime Minister's Office, Nakhalpara (Near Old MP Hostel), Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215.
13. Name and address of the office(s) opening tenders	Deputy Director (P&P), Room No. 146, ICC Block, Special Security Force, Prime Minister's Office, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215.
14. Last date and time for selling tender document	27 May 2014, up to 1200 hrs.
15. Last date and time for submission of tender	28 May 2014, 1100 hours local time, tenderers and authorized representatives are allowed to offend. Tender will be opened at 1115 hours in the same date.
16. Special instruction	a. All other instructions are described in the tender documents. b. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject whole or part of any tender/offer.

Taifur Hasan Mahmud  
Deputy Director (P&P)  
For Director General

GD-2048



A devastating fire gutted nine shops at Sriramkathi Bazar in Nazirpur upazila under Pirojpur district early yesterday.

### Housewife commits 'suicide'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chuadanga

A housewife allegedly committed suicide on Sunday afternoon by hanging herself from the ceiling of her house at Bashu Bhanderdah village in Sadar upazila, over a family feud. Police quoted the victim's family members as saying that Dalia Khatun, 33, wife of Israfil Hossain and a mother of three children had, an altercation with her mother-in-law Isha Begum over a trivial matter around 5:30pm. At one stage of their altercation, Dalia went to her bed room and hanged herself from the ceiling. Family members took her to the Chuadanga Sadar Hospital where on-duty doctor declared her dead. On information, police recovered the body and sent it to the hospital morgue for autopsy. A case was filed with the police station in this connection.

PHOTO: STAR

## Bomb attack on BNP leader's house

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Extortionists hurled two bombs at a BNP leader's house at Pikepur village in Daulatpur upazila early yesterday.

Mohsin Ali, organising secretary of Daulatpur upazila unit of BNP, filed a general Diary (GD) with the local police station in this regard.

In his GD, Mohsin stated that a local gang demanded Tk 2 lakh from him through mobile phone on May 3. "They launched the bomb attack as I refused to pay heed to their demand," Mohsin said.

Enamul Haq, officer-in-charge (OC) of Daulatpur Police Station, said criminals threw two bombs on Mohsin's house at around 3:30am.

The bombs partially damaged the wall and a window of the house. Mohsin and his family members were asleep during the incident. No causality was, however, reported.

### Shibir leader arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Law enforcers arrested a Shibir leader from the bus stand area of Sherpur municipality on Sunday.

Acting on a tip-off, police conducted a drive in the area and arrested Rashed Mia, 35, a member of Bogra district unit of Shibir and former vice-president (VP) of Sherpur Degree College unit.

He was wanted in the cases for arson attacks and vandalism, police said.

## ALLEGED BID TO GRAB LAND

# Hindu house vandalised, looted in Dinajpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Some local influential people vandalised and looted a house of a Hindu family on a khas land in an alleged bid to grab the land at Harirampur Sahapara village under Parbatipur upazila yesterday.

Locals said Hridoy Chandra Roy along with family members has been living on an eight decimals of khas land for 20 years at the village.

Some influential people of the area, including Robi Master, Shahadat Hossain, Md Jaman and Shakhwat Hossain, tried several times to evict the family from the land, but failed, locals said.

During the attack, they beat up four members of the family, leaving them injured. The injured are Niba Rani, 55, wife of Hridoy Chandra Roy, their son Swapna Chandra Roy, 26, daughters-in-law Purnima Rani Roy, 25 and Aroti Rani Roy 22.

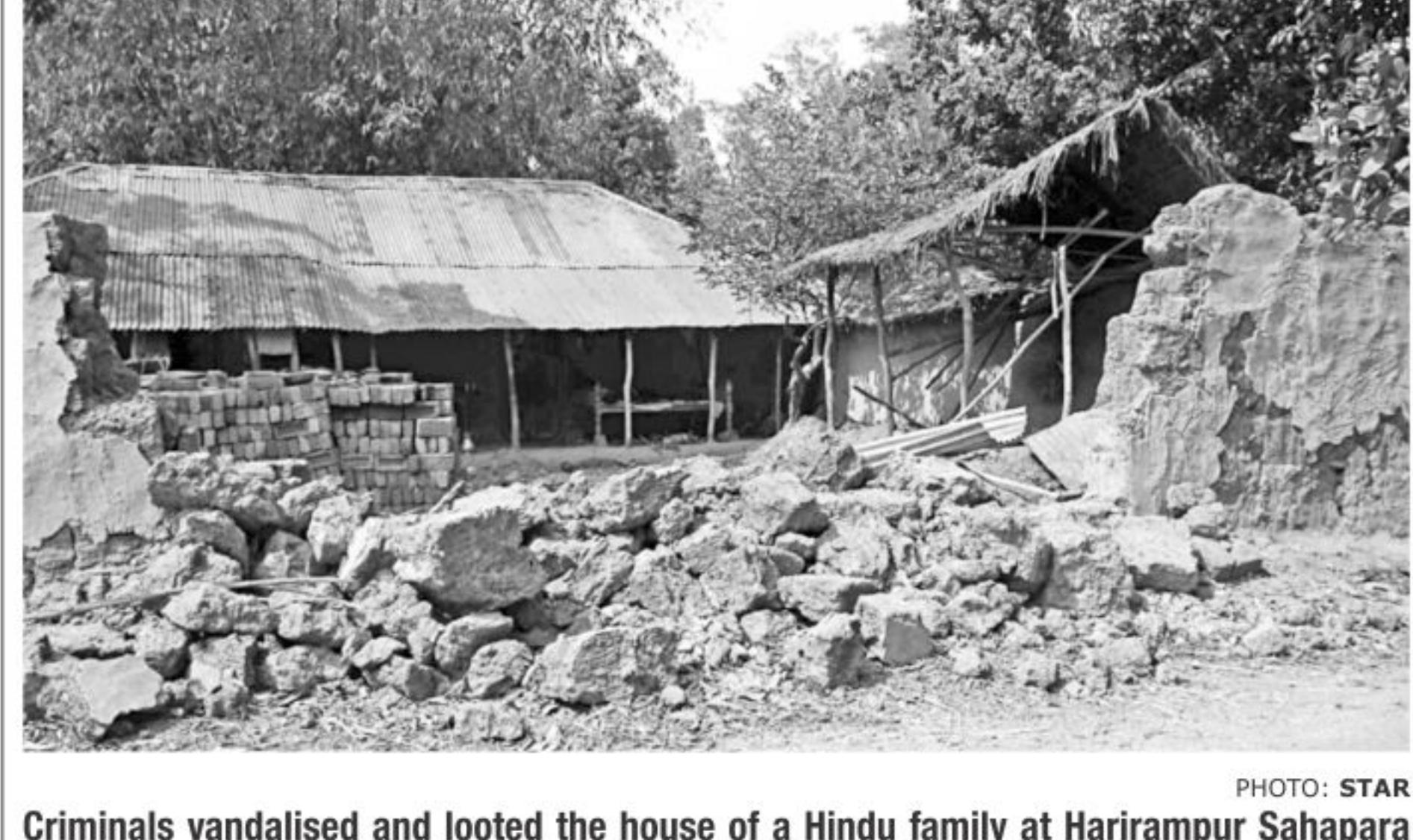


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